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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2005—06 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 232

Introduced by Assembly Members Arambula and Jerome Horton
(Coauthors: Senators Alquist and Florez)

February 7, 2005

An act to amend Sections 66055 and 66055.5 of the Education Code, relating to registered nursing programs, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 232, as amended, Arambula. Registered nursing programs: California Community Colleges: California State University: California Workforce Investment Board.

(1) Under existing law, the California Community Colleges are administered by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. Existing law requires the board of governors to appoint a chief executive officer, who is known as the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges. Existing law authorizes the establishment of community college districts to provide instruction at campuses throughout the state.

Under existing law, the California State University is administered by the Trustees of the California State University, who operate and maintain various campuses of the university throughout the state. Existing law authorizes the trustees to delegate authority to an executive officer known as the Chancellor of the California State University.

This bill would require the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and the Chancellor of the California State University to collaborate to adopt, *not later than January 1, 2007*, prerequisites for registered nurse training programs that would be accepted by both the California Community Colleges and the California State University for admission to nursing prelicensure programs.

(2) Under existing law, the California Workforce Investment Board is established by executive order of the Governor pursuant to the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998. Under existing law, local workforce investment boards administer local workforce investment areas that are designated based on population and commonality of labor market.

This bill would appropriate \$45,000,000 from the General Fund to the California Workforce Investment Board for allocation of grants to local workforce investment boards to promote enrollment in registered nursing training programs.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 66055 of the Education Code is
2 amended to read:
3 66055. (a) Not later than September 1, 2005, the Chancellor
4 of the California Community Colleges shall do all of the
5 following:
6 (1) Encourage community college districts to standardize all
7 nursing program prerequisites on a statewide basis.
8 (2) Encourage community college districts to negotiate and
9 implement articulation agreements with the campuses of the
10 California State University to which they send a significant
11 number of nursing students.
12 (3) Implement the recommendations of the Intersegmental
13 Major Preparation Articulated Curriculum (IMPAC) project not
14 later than September 1, 2004.
15 (b) ~~The~~ *Not later than January 1, 2007, the* Chancellor of the
16 California Community Colleges shall collaborate with the
17 Chancellor of the California State University to adopt
18 prerequisites for registered nurse training programs that would be

1 accepted by both the California Community Colleges and the
2 California State University for admission to nursing prelicensure
3 programs.

4 SEC. 2. Section 66055.5 of the Education Code is amended to
5 read:

6 66055.5. (a) Not later than September 1, 2005, the Chancellor
7 of the California State University shall do all of the following:

8 (1) Standardize all nursing education program prerequisites for
9 the various campuses of the California State University on a
10 systemwide basis.

11 (2) Require the campuses of the university that maintain
12 nursing education programs to negotiate and implement
13 articulation agreements with community college districts from
14 which they receive a significant number of nursing students.

15 (3) Implement the recommendations of the Intersegmental
16 Major Preparation Articulated Curriculum (IMPAC) project not
17 later than September 1, 2004.

18 (b) ~~The~~ *Not later than January 1, 2007, the* Chancellor of the
19 California State University shall collaborate with the Chancellor
20 of the California Community Colleges to adopt prerequisites for
21 registered nurse training programs that would be accepted by
22 both the California Community Colleges and the California State
23 University for admission to nursing prelicensure programs.

24 SEC. 3. The sum of forty-five million dollars (\$45,000,000)
25 is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the California
26 Workforce Investment Board for allocation of grants to local
27 workforce investment boards to promote enrollment in registered
28 nursing training programs.